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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GE, US

SUBJECT: JEWISH CLAIMS AGAINST GDR

REF: BERLIN 1117

1. MISSION OFFICER LATE AFTERNOON JULY 4 FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN CONTACTING LAETZSCH, NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION, GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY. LAETZSCH SAID EAST GERMANS PREPARED RESPOND TO MISSION APPROACH OF JULY 2 AS FOLLOWS:

(A) GDR DID NOT WISH TO RECEIVE FERENCZ.

(B) GDR REPRESENTATIVES IN NEW YORK HAD DISCUSSED JEWISH CLAIMS ISSUE WITH FERENCZ ON EARLIER OCCASIONS WHEN EAST GERMAN POSITION ON QUESTION HAD BEEN MADE CLEAR AND THAT POSITION REMAINED UNCHANGED.

(C) GDR PERCEIVED NO CONNECTION BETWEEN JEWISH CLAIMS ISSUE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF US/GDR RELATIONS.

2. MISSION OFFICER EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT EAST GERMANS WOULD NOT RECEIVE FERENCZ, ADDING THAT USG HAD
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HOPED GDR COULD SEE ITS WAY CLEAR TO DEALING DIRECTLY

WITH JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE ON THIS CATEGORY OF
CLAIMS.

3. FERENCZ, APPRISED OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS, PLANNED TO
DEPART BERLIN FOR GENEVA LATE ON JULY 4. HE PROMISED
BE IN TOUCH WITH DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO JULY 15. ALTHOUGH HE DOES NOT
EXPECT RETURN TO US UNTIL JULY 18.
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